

# THE FLORIDA LEGISLATURE JOINT PROCLAMATION

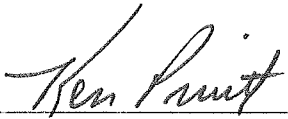
TO THE HONORABLE MEMBERS OF THE FLORIDA SENATE AND THE FLORIDA  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES:

We, Ken Pruitt, President of the Florida Senate, and Marco Rubio, Speaker of the Florida House of Representatives, by virtue of the authority vested in us by Article III, Section 3(c), Florida Constitution, and Section 11.011, Florida Statutes, do hereby proclaim:

1. That the Legislature of the State of Florida is convened in Special Session pursuant to Article III, Section 3(c), Florida Constitution, and Section 11.011, Florida Statutes, at the Capitol in Tallahassee, Florida, at 1:00 p.m. on Tuesday, the 16th day of January 2007, for a period of seven days ending at 11:59 p.m. on Monday, the 22nd day of January 2007.

2. That the Legislature is convened for the sole and exclusive purpose of considering the following:

- A. Legislation to reduce current property insurance premiums in this state.
- B. Legislation to reduce the future rate of growth in property insurance premiums in this state.
- C. Legislation to improve the availability and stability of property insurance in this state.
- D. Legislation relating to building codes in the State of Florida.



Ken Pruitt, President  
The Florida Senate

January 9, 2007



Marco Rubio, Speaker  
The Florida House of Representatives

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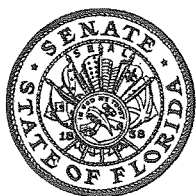


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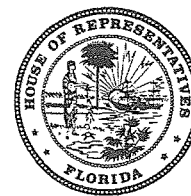
Duly filed with and received by the Florida Department of State this 9th day of January, 2007 by:

  
Secretary of State



**KEN PRUITT**  
*President of the Senate*

## THE FLORIDA LEGISLATURE



**MARCO RUBIO**  
*Speaker of the House of Representatives*

**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**  
**January 9, 2007**

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### **GOVERNOR CHARLIE CRIST, SENATE PRESIDENT KEN PRUITT AND HOUSE SPEAKER MARCO RUBIO CALL THE LEGISLATURE INTO SPECIAL SESSION**

**Tallahassee, FL** – Making good on their promise to confront Florida's insurance crisis, Governor Charlie Crist, Senate President Ken Pruitt (R-Port. St. Lucie) and House Speaker Marco Rubio (R- West Miami), today, released a joint call for a Special Legislative Session.

The call is expressly focused on lowering current property insurance premiums and reducing the future rate of growth of insurance costs. It also addresses improving the availability and stability of property insurance in Florida and dealing with the state's building code.

"Finding relief for Floridians burdened with skyrocketing insurance costs is my top priority," said Governor Crist. "I pledge the full resources of my office to work with the leaders of the House and Senate to solve the insurance crisis."

"People are suffering because of skyrocketing rates and cancelled policies, and we have heard the cries for relief," said Senate President Ken Pruitt. "Everyone must pull together to solve the problem, we must find a way to lower rates, and we must not raise taxes on Florida's families in the process."

"Next week's Special Session is our chance to help Floridians who are struggling with rising insurance costs and to take comprehensive steps to reform our market," said Speaker Rubio. "I'm optimistic about the opportunity to work with Governor Crist, President Pruitt and the members of the Senate. I know they share our commitment to a consumer-focused package that reduces rates, reforms Citizens Property Insurance, and ensures that consumers are treated fairly."

The Special Session will commence on Tuesday, January 16, 2007, and may last for seven days. The call can be viewed on the Senate and House websites at: [www.flsenate.gov](http://www.flsenate.gov) or [www.myfloridahouse.gov](http://www.myfloridahouse.gov).

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